

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2005 and 2006 HB0686

Introduced 2/1/2005, by Rep. Patricia R. Bellock

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

235 ILCS 5/3-12 235 ILCS 5/6-33 new from Ch. 43, par. 108

Amends the Liquor Control Act of 1934. Prohibits the sale and use of alcohol without liquid machines without the approval of the Illinois Liquor Control Commission. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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1 AN ACT concerning liquor.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Liquor Control Act of 1934 is amended by changing Section 3-12 and by adding Section 6-33 as follows:
- 6 (235 ILCS 5/3-12) (from Ch. 43, par. 108)
- 7 Sec. 3-12. Powers and duties of State Commission.
 - (a) The State commission shall have the following powers, functions and duties:
 - (1) To receive applications and to issue licenses to manufacturers, foreign importers, importing distributors, distributors, non-resident dealers, on premise consumption retailers, off premise sale retailers, special event retailer licensees, special use permit licenses, auction liquor licenses, brew pubs, caterer retailers, users, railroads, including owners non-beverage lessees of sleeping, dining and cafe cars, airplanes, boats, brokers, and wine maker's premises licensees in accordance with the provisions of this Act, and to suspend or revoke such licenses upon the State commission's determination, upon notice after hearing, that a licensee has violated any provision of this Act or any rule or regulation issued pursuant thereto and in effect for 30 days prior to such violation. Except in the case of an action taken pursuant to a violation of Section 6-3, 6-5, or 6-9, any action by the State Commission to suspend or revoke a licensee's license may be limited to the license for the specific premises where the violation occurred.

In lieu of suspending or revoking a license, the commission may impose a fine, upon the State commission's determination and notice after hearing, that a licensee has violated any provision of this Act or any rule or

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regulation issued pursuant thereto and in effect for 30 days prior to such violation. The fine imposed under this paragraph may not exceed \$500 for each violation. Each day that the activity, which gave rise to the original fine, continues is a separate violation. The maximum fine that may be levied against any licensee, for the period of the license, shall not exceed \$20,000. The maximum penalty that may be imposed on a licensee for selling a bottle of alcoholic liquor with a foreign object in it or serving from a bottle of alcoholic liquor with a foreign object in it shall be the destruction of that bottle of alcoholic liquor for the first 10 bottles so sold or served from by the licensee. For the eleventh bottle of alcoholic liquor and for each third bottle thereafter sold or served from by the licensee with a foreign object in it, the maximum penalty that may be imposed on the licensee is the destruction of the bottle of alcoholic liquor and a fine of up to \$50.

- (2) To adopt such rules and regulations consistent with the provisions of this Act which shall be necessary to carry on its functions and duties to the end that the health, safety and welfare of the People of the State of Illinois shall be protected and temperance in the consumption of alcoholic liquors shall be fostered and promoted and to distribute copies of such rules and regulations to all licensees affected thereby.
- (3) To call upon other administrative departments of the State, county and municipal governments, county and city police departments and upon prosecuting officers for such information and assistance as it deems necessary in the performance of its duties.
- (4) To recommend to local commissioners rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the law, for the distribution and sale of alcoholic liquors throughout the State.
 - (5) To inspect, or cause to be inspected, any premises

in this State where alcoholic liquors are manufactured, distributed, warehoused, or sold.

- (5.1) Upon receipt of a complaint or upon having knowledge that any person is engaged in business as a manufacturer, importing distributor, distributor, or retailer without a license or valid license, to notify the local liquor authority, file a complaint with the State's Attorney's Office of the county where the incident occurred, or initiate an investigation with the appropriate law enforcement officials.
- (5.2) To issue a cease and desist notice to persons shipping alcoholic liquor into this State from a point outside of this State if the shipment is in violation of this Act.
- (5.3) To receive complaints from licensees, local officials, law enforcement agencies, organizations, and persons stating that any licensee has been or is violating any provision of this Act or the rules and regulations issued pursuant to this Act. Such complaints shall be in writing, signed and sworn to by the person making the complaint, and shall state with specificity the facts in relation to the alleged violation. If the Commission has reasonable grounds to believe that the complaint substantially alleges a violation of this Act or rules and regulations adopted pursuant to this Act, it shall conduct an investigation. If, after conducting an investigation, the Commission is satisfied that the alleged violation did occur, it shall proceed with disciplinary action against the licensee as provided in this Act.
- (6) To hear and determine appeals from orders of a local commission in accordance with the provisions of this Act, as hereinafter set forth. Hearings under this subsection shall be held in Springfield or Chicago, at whichever location is the more convenient for the majority of persons who are parties to the hearing.
 - (7) The commission shall establish uniform systems of

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accounts to be kept by all retail licensees having more than 4 employees, and for this purpose the commission may classify all retail licensees having more than 4 employees and establish a uniform system of accounts for each class and prescribe the manner in which such accounts shall be kept. The commission may also prescribe the forms of accounts to be kept by all retail licensees having more than 4 employees, including but not limited to accounts of earnings and expenses and any distribution, payment, or other distribution of earnings or assets, and any other forms, records and memoranda which in the judgment of the commission may be necessary or appropriate to carry out any of the provisions of this Act, including but not limited to such forms, records and memoranda as will readily and accurately disclose at all times the beneficial ownership of such retail licensed business. The accounts, forms, records and memoranda shall be available at all reasonable times for inspection by authorized representatives of the commission or by any local liquor control commissioner or his or her authorized representative. The commission, may, from time to time, alter, amend or repeal, in whole or in part, any uniform system of accounts, or the form and manner of keeping accounts.

(8) In the conduct of any hearing authorized to be held by the commission, to appoint, at the commission's discretion, hearing officers to conduct hearings involving complex issues or issues that will require a protracted period of time to resolve, to examine, or cause to be examined, under oath, any licensee, and to examine or cause to be examined the books and records of such licensee; to hear testimony and take proof material for its information in the discharge of its duties hereunder; to administer or cause to be administered oaths; for any such purpose to issue subpoena or subpoenas to require the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, which shall be effective in any part of this State, and to adopt rules to

implement its powers under this paragraph (8).

Any Circuit Court may by order duly entered, require the attendance of witnesses and the production of relevant books subpoenaed by the State commission and the court may compel obedience to its order by proceedings for contempt.

- (9) To investigate the administration of laws in relation to alcoholic liquors in this and other states and any foreign countries, and to recommend from time to time to the Governor and through him or her to the legislature of this State, such amendments to this Act, if any, as it may think desirable and as will serve to further the general broad purposes contained in Section 1-2 hereof.
- (10) To adopt such rules and regulations consistent with the provisions of this Act which shall be necessary for the control, sale or disposition of alcoholic liquor damaged as a result of an accident, wreck, flood, fire or other similar occurrence.
- (11) To develop industry educational programs related to responsible serving and selling, particularly in the areas of overserving consumers and illegal underage purchasing and consumption of alcoholic beverages.
- (11.1) To license persons providing education and training to alcohol beverage sellers and servers under the Beverage Alcohol Sellers and Servers Education and Training (BASSET) programs and to develop and administer a public awareness program in Illinois to reduce or eliminate the illegal purchase and consumption of alcoholic beverage products by persons under the age of 21. Application for a license shall be made on forms provided by the State Commission.
- (12) To develop and maintain a repository of license and regulatory information.
- (12.1) To receive and approve applications for use or sale of alcohol without liquid machines.
- (13) On or before January 15, 1994, the Commission shall issue a written report to the Governor and General

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Assembly that is to be based on a comprehensive study of the impact on and implications for the State of Illinois of Section 1926 of the Federal ADAMHA Reorganization Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-321). This study shall address the extent to which Illinois currently complies with the provisions of P.L. 102-321 and the rules promulgated pursuant thereto.

As part of its report, the Commission shall provide the following essential information:

- (i) the number of retail distributors of tobacco products, by type and geographic area, in the State;
- (ii) the number of reported citations and successful convictions, categorized by type and location of retail distributor, for violation of the Sale of Tobacco to Minors Act and the Smokeless Tobacco Limitation Act;
- (iii) the extent and nature of organized educational and governmental activities that are intended to promote, encourage or otherwise secure compliance with any Illinois laws that prohibit the sale or distribution of tobacco products to minors; and
- (iv) the level of access and availability of tobacco products to individuals under the age of 18.

To obtain the data necessary to comply with the provisions of P.L. 102-321 and the requirements of this report, the Commission shall conduct random, unannounced inspections of a geographically and scientifically representative sample of the State's retail tobacco distributors.

The Commission shall consult with the Department of Public Health, the Department of Human Services, the Illinois State Police and any other executive branch agency, and private organizations that may have information relevant to this report.

The Commission may contract with the Food and Drug
Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human
Services to conduct unannounced investigations of Illinois

- 1 tobacco vendors to determine compliance with federal laws
- 2 relating to the illegal sale of cigarettes and smokeless
- 3 tobacco products to persons under the age of 18.
- 4 (b) On or before April 30, 1999, the Commission shall
- 5 present a written report to the Governor and the General
- 6 Assembly that shall be based on a study of the impact of this
- 7 amendatory Act of 1998 on the business of soliciting, selling,
- 8 and shipping alcoholic liquor from outside of this State
- 9 directly to residents of this State.
- 10 As part of its report, the Commission shall provide the
- 11 following information:
- 12 (i) the amount of State excise and sales tax revenues
- generated as a result of this amendatory Act of 1998;
- 14 (ii) the amount of licensing fees received as a result
- of this amendatory Act of 1998;
- 16 (iii) the number of reported violations, the number of
- 17 cease and desist notices issued by the Commission, the
- number of notices of violations issued to the Department of
- 19 Revenue, and the number of notices and complaints of
- violations to law enforcement officials.
- 21 (Source: P.A. 92-378, eff. 8-16-01; 92-813, eff. 8-21-02;
- 22 93-1057, eff. 12-2-04.)
- 23 (235 ILCS 5/6-33 new)
- Sec. 6-33. Alcohol without liquid machines.
- 25 (a) No person shall bring into this State for use or sale
- 26 any alcohol without liquid machine unless an application
- 27 submitted pursuant to subsection (b) is approved by the State
- 28 <u>Commission.</u>
- 29 (b) Any person may file with the State Commission an
- 30 application for premarket approval of an alcohol without liquid
- 31 <u>machine. The application shall be submitted in a manner and</u>
- 32 <u>containing the information that the State Commission may</u>
- 33 <u>require.</u>
- 34 <u>(c) Upon receipt of an application submitted pursuant to</u>
- 35 <u>subsection (b), the State Commission shall:</u>

1	(1) issue an order approving the application if the
2	person submitting the application demonstrates to the
3	State Commission's satisfaction that the alcohol without
4	<pre>liquid machine is safe; or</pre>
5	(2) deny approval of the application if the person
6	submitting the application fails to demonstrate to the
7	State Commission's satisfaction that the alcohol without
8	liquid machine is safe.
9	(d) The State Commission may issue an order withdrawing
10	approval of an application submitted pursuant to subsection (b)
11	if the State Commission finds that the alcohol without liquid
12	<pre>machine is unsafe.</pre>
13	(e) For purposes of this Section, "alcohol without liquid
14	machine" means a device designed or marketed for the purposes
15	of mixing alcohol with oxygen or another gas to produce a mist
16	for inhalation for recreational purposes.
17	Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
18	becoming law.